

Mr. CHAIRMAN.—I shall now take the sense of the House as to whether it wants to take up the next item on the agenda or to have recess.

SEVERAL MEMBERS.—We want recess.

Mr. CHAIRMAN.—We shall rise now to meet after half-an-hour i.e., at 4-15 P.M.

The House rose at Forty-five Minutes past Three of the Clock to re-assemble at Fifteen Minutes past Four of the Clock.

The House re-assembled at Twenty-five Minutes past Four of the Clock.

[MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER in the Chair]

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—I now request Dr. R. Nagan Gouda, to continue his speech on his Resolution.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಭಾಸ್ಕರ ಶೆಟ್ಟಿ (ಕಾಪು).—ಸ್ವಾಮಿ, ರಾಜ್ಯಪಾಲರ ಭಾಷಣದ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಅಭಿನಂದನಾ ನಿರ್ಣಯವನ್ನು ಮಂಡಿಸಿದ್ದ ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಎಚ್. ಶ್ರೀನಿವಾಸ್ ಅವರು ಕಡೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರ ಉತ್ತರ ಆದನಂತರ ಅವರು ಒಂದು ಉತ್ತರ ಕೊಡತಕ್ಕ ಪದ್ಧತಿ ಇತ್ತು. ಈ ದಿವಸ ಅವಕಾಶ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿಲ್ಲ. ನಾವು ಅವರ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಈ ವಿಚಾರವನ್ನು ತಂದಾಗ ಅವರು ಬಹಳ ಪಶ್ಚಾತ್ತಾಪ ಪಟ್ಟು ಕೊಂಡರು. ಆಗ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಇದು ಅರ್ಥವಾಗಲಿಲ್ಲ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಆದುದರಿಂದ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಮಾತನಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಅವಕಾಶ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಟ್ಟು ಸಂಪ್ರದಾಯವನ್ನು ಉಳಿಸಬೇಕೆಂದು ಹೇಳುತ್ತೇನೆ.

ಉಪಾಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ನಮ್ಮಲ್ಲಿ ಆ ತರಹ ಸಂಪ್ರದಾಯವೇನೂ ಇರುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. ಅವರು ಆ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಉತ್ತರ ಕೊಡತಕ್ಕ ಪ್ರಮೇಯವಿಲ್ಲ. ಈವರೆಗೂ ಆ ರೀತಿಯೇನೂ ನಡೆದಿಲ್ಲ. ಈ ನಿರ್ಣಯದ ಮೇಲೆ ಶ್ರೀ ನಾಗನಗೌಡರು ಈ ಹಿಂದೆ ಬಹಳ ಕಾಲವನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡು ಮಾತನಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಇನ್ನು ಮಾತನಾಡಲು 5 ನಿಮಿಷ ಮಾತ್ರ ಅವಕಾಶ ಕೊಟ್ಟು, ಅನಂತರ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು ಇದಕ್ಕೆ ಉತ್ತರ ಕೊಡುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಅನಂತರ ಇದನ್ನು ಒಟ್ಟಿಗೆ ಹಾಕರಾಗುತ್ತದೆ.

PRIVATE MEMBER'S RESOLUTION

**Re: REDUCTION OF PRICES OF NITROGENOUS FERTILISERS
TO THE LEVEL OF PRICES IN AMERICA**

(Debate Continued)

Dr. R. NAGAN GOUD (Hospet).—Sir, the other day I moved that this House recommends to Government to reduce the price of Nitrogenous fertilizers in Mysore to the level of prices of such fertilizers in America. In that, Resolution I was particular that the prices of fertilizers should be reduced. I have got one of the recent books from the United States, where they are using nitrogenous fertilisers such as

ammonia, ammonium nitrate, ammonium sulphate etc., the price of nitrogen in ammonia is 7.6 cents per pound, which comes to 50 paise in our currency. My point is that we should be able to reduce the prices of our fertilizers to that level, to the level in which it is being sold in the United States. There, they are using nitrogenous fertilizers now-a-days mostly as ammonia. I will quote some statistics. In 1946 they were using ammonia to the extent of 16,000 tonnes. The use of ammonia came into vogue there only about 20 years ago. In 1963 they were using 9 lakhs tonnes and in 1966 they were using 16 lakhs tonnes. I give these figures to show that the Americans are going after the cheapest form of nitrogenous fertilizer. Today, this price of 7.6 cents or 50 paise per pound is still further reduced in that country. I read last time a news paper article saying that the cost of manufacture of nitrogenous fertilizer has been reduced to one-half of what it was four or five years ago. Today, it is manufactured at Rs. 150 a tonne, which will make the price come down almost to 25 paise per pound of ammonia in that country. Therefore, I suggest that we should reduce the price of our fertilizers. Our prices here are very high indeed. We are purchasing ammonium sulphate at Rs. 540 per tonne or Rs. 1.25 per pound of nitrogen, whereas in the United States it is 50 paise per pound. I therefore, feel that the Government of India should reduce the price of our fertilizers. That is all that I wanted to say about my Resolution.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎನ್. ಹುಚ್ಚಮಾಸ್ತಿಗೌಡ (ಹುಲಿಯೂರುದುರ್ಗ).—ಸ್ವಾಮಿ, ನಾವು ಆ ಬಜಿನೆಸ್ ಅಡ್ವೈಟರಿ ಕಮಿಟಿಯಲ್ಲಿದ್ದರಿಂದ ಬರುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಸ್ವಲ್ಪ ಕಾರಾವಕಾಶವಾಯಿತು. ಇದು ಬಹಳ ಪ್ರಾಮುಖ್ಯವಾದ ನಿರ್ಣಯ ನಾವೆಲ್ಲರೂ ಇದರಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬೇಕಾಗಿದೆ. ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ತಾವು ಅವಕಾಶ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಡಬೇಕು.

ಉಪಾಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಈ ನಿರ್ಣಯ ಹಿಂದಿನದು. ಆ ದಿವಸ ನಿರ್ಣಯವನ್ನು ತಂದವರೇ ಬಹಳ ಕಾಲ ಮಾತನಾಡಿದ್ದರಿಂದ ಬೇರೆಯವರಿಗೆ ಮಾತನಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಅವಕಾಶವೇ ಇಲ್ಲದಂತಾಯಿತು. ಈ ದಿವಸ ಅವರೇ ಇನ್ನೊಂದು ನಿರ್ಣಯವನ್ನು ತಂದಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಅದನ್ನು ಇನ್ನೂ ಅವರು ಮಂಡಿಸಿಲ್ಲ. ಹಿಂದಿನ ನಿರ್ಣಯದ ಮೇಲೆ ಮಾತನಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ನಿಗದಿಮಾಡಿದ್ದ ವೇಳೆ ಮುಗಿದಿದೆ. ಅದೇ ತರಹದ ಇನ್ನೊಂದು ನಿರ್ಣಯ ಇದೆ ಅದರ ಮೇಲೆ ಮಾನ್ಯ ಸದಸ್ಯರು ಮಾತನಾಡಬಹುದು. ಅದನ್ನಿನ್ನೂ ಅವರು ಸಭೆಯ ಮುಂದೆ ಮಂಡಿಸಿಲ್ಲ, ಈ ಹಿಂದಿನ ಅಂದರೆ ಹಳೆಯ ನಿರ್ಣಯಕ್ಕೆ ಉತ್ತರ ಕೊಟ್ಟನಂತರ ಅದನ್ನು ಮಂಡಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಅವಕಾಶವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ.

Sri D. B. PAWAR (Deputy Minister for Agriculture).—Regarding this matter, when this resolution was moved in the Last Session we moved the Government of India requesting them to reduce the prices of these chemical fertilizers. Since the Government has to pay quite a heavy price for procuring these chemical fertilizers, the Government of India have expressed their inability to reduce the prices of these fertilizers. In view of this fact, I would request the Hon'ble Member Dr. Nagangouda to withdraw this resolution.

†Sri H. SIDDHAVEERAPPA.—I am not able to follow the Deputy Minister. I do not know why Dr. Nagangouda should be prevailed upon to withdraw his resolution. We must thank Dr. Nagangouda for the interests he has taken to make a special study of the agriculture in

(SRI H. SIDDAVEERAPPA)

the high interests of the agriculturists. He did this inspite of his old age and inspite of various handicaps. He is such a type of man who deserves to be recognised by the Government of India. When such is the position, we do not know why Dr. Nagangouda should be prevailed upon to withdraw his resolution. If the Government is particular in agricultural development, they should take action to see that the prices of Nitrogenous fertilizers are reduced. As far as we know, the supply of manure is one of the vital factors for the development of agriculture in this State. When we bring forward a solution easily accessible, keeping in view the enormous reduction in cost, I do not know why the Government should take cover in the guise that the Government of India wants something to do in the matter. The Government will, in the interests of agriculture, bestow second thoughts in the matter and see the resolution is adopted and if the resolution is adopted nothing will be lost but it will strengthen your hands.

Sri D. B. PAWAR.—Mr. Siddaveerappa is confusing the two different issues. The first issue was regarding the reduction of prices of chemical fertilizers and the second issue is regarding introduction of ammonia gas in place of chemical fertilizers. That resolution will be discussed separately. That is why I have requested Mr. Nagangouda to withdraw the resolution which was moved earlier in view of the fact that the Government of India has refused to reduce the prices of the fertilizers.

Sri M. S. KRISHNAN.—The first resolution which was moved by Dr. Nagangouda appears to be more important. This is concerning the entire pissantry of our State. All of us must be thankful to Dr. Nagangouda. Fertilizers are costlier than even in America. Under the circumstances the Government should not prevail upon Dr. Nagangouda to withdraw it.

Dr. R. NAGAN GOUDA.—Mr. Speaker Sir, in view of the reply given by the Deputy Minister saying that the Government of India is not willing to reduce the prices of the fertilizers, I am withdrawing this resolution moved earlier.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—Has the members leave of the House to withdraw the resolution ?

HON'BLE MEMBERS.—Yes.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—The resolution is withdrawn.

The Resolution was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Presentation.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—I will present the 4th report of the Committee on Private Members Bills and Resolutions.